

How did Jesus come to be in the Father?

"Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.

Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake."

(John 14:10-11)

When speaking to his disciples, Jesus said unto them that he was in his Father and that the Father was in him. It can be asked, how did Jesus come to be in the Father? How did the Father come to be in his Son Jesus Christ? In order to answer these questions, we must first look at the Church.

The scriptures say that the Church is the body of Christ (Ephesians 22:23, Colossians 1:18, Colossians 1:24). The Church, which is the body of Christ, though one body, is made up of many members – they being the saints; and the body is in Christ (1 Corinthians 12:12, 1 Corinthians 12:20, Romans 12:4-5).

Now if the saints, or Christians, are the members of the body of Christ, and the body is in Christ, then how did the saints come to be in the body of Christ? How does a saint come to be in Christ? The scripture saith thus:

"For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit."

(1 Corinthians 12:13)

“Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death?”

(Romans 3:27)’

“For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.”

(Galatians 3:27-28)

We see then that it is by baptism that one comes to be in the body of Christ. When one obeys the gospel of Christ and are baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of their sins (Acts 2:38), they are baptized into Christ and come to be in the body of Christ. Thus, they are in Christ; and when they receive the gift of the Holy Ghost, then Christ is in them, the hope of glory (1 Corinthians 4:6, 1 Corinthians 3:16, Colossians 1:27).

Therefore, it is evident that as we came to be in Christ and Christ in us, so did Jesus come to be in his Father and his Father in him. Thus, Jesus came to be in the Father when he baptized in the Jordan river by John; and the Father came to be in his Son Jesus Christ when he anointed him with his Spirit (Matthew 3:13-17).

“At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.”

(John 14:20)